Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

1. (Original) A hand-actuated piston plunger, comprising:

a vessel member having a first vessel end and second vessel end, said vessel member further including a hollow vessel interior;

a drain adapter associated with the first vessel end, said drain adapter including an adaptor opening which facilitates selective flow of fluid relative to said vessel interior, said drain adapter being shaped to facilitate insertion thereof into a plumbing drain;

a plunger piston slidably mounted within said vessel interior, said plunger piston being movable relative to the drain adaptor; and

a piston actuator having a first actuator end and a second actuator end, said first actuator end being operably associated with the plunger piston, said second actuator end extending outside of said vessel interior, said piston actuator being configured for facilitating selectable movement of said plunger piston within said vessel.

2. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 1, wherein said vessel interior, through a combined operation of said plunger piston and said piston actuator, is configured for selectively receiving clog fluid therewithin from a clogged plumbing vessel.

3. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 2, wherein said vessel interior is sized so as to be large enough to hold an amount of the clog fluid suitable for effectuating

plunging of a clog within the clogged plumbing vessel.

4. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 2, wherein said plunger piston and said piston actuator are together configured so as to be selectably movable in each one of a fluid intake direction and a fluid expulsion direction, a movement in a fluid intake direction facilitating an intake of the clog fluid into said vessel interior, a movement in the fluid expulsion direction promoting an expulsion of the clog fluid therefrom.

5. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 2, wherein said plunger piston, said vessel interior, and said first vessel end together define a variable fluid volume within said vessel member, said variable fluid volume being dependent upon a positioning of said plunger piston.

Claim 6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

8. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 1, further comprising at least one of: an actuator handle operably connected to said piston actuator proximate said second actuator end; and a vessel handle being operably connected to said vessel member.

9. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 1, further comprising at least one of: a first limit stop associated with said first vessel end, said first limit stop being configured for preventing movement of said plunger piston out of said vessel member through said first vessel end; and a second limit stop associated with said second vessel end, said second limit stop being configured for preventing movement of said plunger piston out of said vessel member through

said second vessel end.

10. (Currently amended) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 1, wherein said drain adapter is selected from the group consisting of ~~one of~~ conically shaped [[,]] and frusto-conically shaped~~, and bell shaped~~.

11. (Original) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 1, wherein said plunger is configured so as to promote at least one of quick and selective disassembly of portions thereof.

12. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 1, wherein said drain adapter is bell shaped.

13. (New) A hand-actuated piston plunger, comprising:

a vessel member defining a vessel interior;

an approximately conically-shaped drain adapter associated with said vessel member;

a plunger piston movable with respect to said vessel member, said plunger piston configured to draw clog fluid associated with a clogged drain into said vessel member when moving from a first position to a second position, said plunger piston configured to expel the clog fluid from said vessel member when moving from said second position to said first position;

a piston actuator configured to selectively move said plunger member between said first position and said second position; and

wherein said vessel interior is dimensioned to hold a volume of the clog fluid suitable for effectuating plunging of the clogged drain without using an external fluid source.

14. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 13, wherein said plunger piston is

slidably received in said vessel interior.

15. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 13, wherein said plunger piston draws clog fluid into said vessel member through said drain adapter.

16. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 15, wherein said plunger piston expels clog fluid from said vessel member through said drain adapter.

17. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 13, wherein said drain adaptor is releasably attached to said vessel member.

18. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 13, wherein said drain adaptor is approximately frusto-conically shaped.

19. (New) A hand-actuated piston plunger comprising:

a vessel member having a first vessel end and second vessel end, said vessel member further including a hollow vessel interior;

an approximately conically-shaped drain adapter associated with the first vessel end, said drain adapter including an adaptor opening which facilitates selective flow of fluid relative to said vessel interior, said drain adapter being shaped to facilitate insertion thereof into a plumbing drain;

a plunger piston slidably mounted within said vessel interior, said plunger piston being movable relative to the drain adaptor;

a piston actuator having a first actuator end and a second actuator end, said first actuator end being operably associated with the plunger piston, said second actuator end extending

outside of said vessel interior, said piston actuator being configured for facilitating selectable movement of said plunger piston within said vessel;

wherein said vessel interior, through a combined operation of said plunger piston and said piston actuator, is configured for selectively receiving clog fluid therewithin from a clogged plumbing vessel;

wherein said vessel interior is sized so as to be large enough to hold an amount of the clog fluid suitable for effectuating plunging of a clog within the clogged plumbing vessel; and

wherein said plunger piston and said piston actuator are together configured so as to be selectably movable in each one of a fluid intake direction and a fluid expulsion direction, a movement in a fluid intake direction facilitating an intake of the clog fluid into said vessel interior, a movement in the fluid expulsion direction promoting an expulsion of the clog fluid therefrom.

20. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 19, wherein said drain adaptor is releasably attached to said vessel member.

21. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 20, wherein said drain adapter is formed from an elastomeric material.

22. (New) The hand-actuated piston plunger of claim 21, wherein said vessel member is formed from plastic.